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ELECTROMECHANICAL VALVE ACTUATOR FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION

ENGINES AND INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE EQUIPPED WITH SUCH AN

ACTUATOR

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119, Applicant hereby claim the benefit of prior French Patent Application No. 03 01953, filed February 18, 2003.

A certified copy of the above-referenced application is enclosed.

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